

RESOURCES

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

CHILD WELFARE SERVICES HOTLINE

240.777.4417 (24 HOURS)

CRISIS CENTER

240.777.4000 (24 HOURS)

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE

240.777.4673 (24 HOURS)

ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

240.777.3000 (24 HOURS)

OPERATION RUNAWAY AT POTOMAC RIDGE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER

1.800.204.8600 (24 HOURS)

WWW.MNADV.ORG

THE MARYLAND NETWORK AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROVIDES INFORMATION ON RESOURCES, LAWS, LEGISLATION, AND SAFETY PLANNING.

WWW.ALERTXPRESS.COM

1-866-559-8017

MARYLAND SEX OFFENDER ALERT PROGRAM
REGISTER TO RECEIVE A PHONE CALL, EMAIL OR BOTH WHEN AN OFFENDER MOVES INTO YOUR ZIP CODE AREA.

WWW.VINELINK.COM

VICTIM INFORMATION NOTIFICATION EVERYDAY (V.I.N.E.) OR 1.866.MD4VINE (1.866.634.8463)
REGISTER BY PHONE OR EMAIL TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF AN OFFENDER'S CUSTODY STATUS.

WWW.MISSINGKIDS.COM

NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING & EXPLOITED CHILDREN IS A NATIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE FOR INFORMATION ABOUT MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN.

WWW.NETSMARTZ.ORG

NETSMARTZ WORKSHOP, A DIVISION OF THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN, PROVIDES ONLINE INTERACTIVE AGE APPROPRIATE EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND MATERIALS TO PROMOTE SAFETY ON THE INTERNET. NETSMARTZ411 OFFERS DIRECT ACCESS TO EXPERTS WHO CAN RESPOND TO SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ABOUT THE COMPUTER, THE INTERNET, OR INTERNET SAFETY.

WWW.NSOPR.GOV

THE NATIONAL SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY IS A PUBLIC DATABASE THAT PROVIDES SEX OFFENDER INFORMATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS IN THE UNITED STATES BASED ON NAME OR ZIP CODE.



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FAMILY CRIMES DIVISION

THE FAMILY CRIMES DIVISION IS COMPOSED OF THREE SECTIONS: CHILD ABUSE/SEXUAL ASSAULT, PEDOPHILE, AND FAMILY OUTREACH, WHICH ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR INVESTIGATING CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, ELDER ABUSE, MISSING AND RUNAWAY CHILDREN, AND SCREENING CASES OF JUVENILES CHARGED WITH A CRIME.

THE DIVISION HAS EXPERT FORENSIC INTERVIEWING CAPABILITIES FOR INTERVIEWING CHILDREN, DEVELOPMENTALLY DELAYED ADULTS AND ADULTS WITH DEMENTIA WHO ARE VICTIMS OR WITNESSES TO A CRIME. THE FORENSIC INTERVIEWER ASSISTS THESE VULNERABLE POPULATIONS TO BECOME COMPETENT FACT REPORTERS.

IN ADDITION, THE DIVISION HAS A FORENSIC COMPOSITE ARTIST SPECIALIZING IN INTERVIEWING VICTIMS AND WITNESSES TO OBTAIN INFORMATION USED TO CREATE A HAND-DRAWN LIKENESS OF THE PERPETRATOR FOR A VARIETY OF CRIMES. THESE SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE TO OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

CHILD ABUSE/SEXUAL ASSAULT SECTION

CHILD ABUSE/SEXUAL ASSAULT SECTION INVESTIGATES THE FOLLOWING CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18 WHERE THE ADULT OR JUVENILE OFFENDER IS **KNOWN** TO THE CHILD:

- RAPES AND SEX OFFENSES
- SERIOUS PHYSICAL ABUSE
- SEXUAL ABUSE

THE MULTI-DISCIPLINARY TEAM MODEL IS EMPLOYED IN ORDER TO FACILITATE BEST PRACTICE AND TO MINIMIZE THE TRAUMA FOR THE VICTIM AND

FAMILY. THE TEAM IS COMPOSED OF INVESTIGATORS FROM THE FAMILY CRIMES DIVISION, SOCIAL WORKERS FROM CHILD WELFARE SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, PROSECUTORS FROM THE STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, ATTORNEYS FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND MEDICAL PERSONNEL.

PEDOPHILE SECTION

PEDOPHILE SECTION INVESTIGATES THE FOLLOWING CRIMES INVOLVING CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18:

- RAPES AND SEX OFFENSES WHERE THE SUSPECT IS UNKNOWN TO THE CHILD
- CHILD PORNOGRAPHY
- SEXUAL SOLICITATION AND EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN ON THE INTERNET
- COMPLAINTS OF SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES OF A SEXUAL NATURE INVOLVING CHILDREN; FOR EXAMPLE, AN UNKNOWN MALE APPROACHING A CHILD AT A BUS STOP

THE PEDOPHILE SECTION IS A MEMBER OF THE INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN TASK FORCE, A NATIONAL NETWORK OF FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES THAT INVESTIGATES AND PROSECUTES INDIVIDUALS WHO USE THE INTERNET TO SEXUALLY EXPLOIT CHILDREN.

SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY UNIT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR:

- REGISTERING AND MONITORING CONVICTED SEX OFFENDERS
- INVESTIGATING OFFENDERS' FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY REQUIREMENTS
- NOTIFYING THE PUBLIC WHEN A REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER MOVES INTO THE COMMUNITY

FAMILY OUTREACH SECTION

THE FAMILY OUTREACH SECTION CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING THREE UNITS:

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/ELDER ABUSE UNIT

INVESTIGATES THE FOLLOWING CRIMES:

- INTIMATE PARTNER ABUSE RESULTING IN SERIOUS INJURY
- INTIMATE PARTNER ABUSE WHERE THERE IS A HISTORY OF SERIOUS INJURY
- ABUSE AND NEGLECT OF THE ELDERLY

THIS UNIT COLLABORATES CLOSELY WITH OTHER AGENCIES, SUCH AS THE OMBUDSMAN, SHERIFF'S OFFICE, STATE'S ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, ABUSED PERSONS PROGRAM, CHILD WELFARE SERVICES, AND ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES TO PROVIDE A COMPREHENSIVE RESPONSE TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND ELDER ABUSE VICTIMS.

MISSING CHILDREN UNIT INVESTIGATES:

- PARENTAL ABDUCTIONS
- KIDNAPPINGS OF CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18
- CHILDREN MISSING UNDER SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES
- RUNAWAY CHILDREN

THIS UNIT WORKS CLOSELY WITH THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN, MARYLAND STATE POLICE AND THE MARYLAND CENTER FOR MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN. INFORMATION AND REFERRAL RESOURCES ARE PROVIDED TO FAMILIES OF RUNAWAYS.

CASE SCREENING UNIT REVIEWS JUVENILE ARRESTS AND DETERMINES APPROPRIATE DISPOSITIONS BASED UPON GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE, THE COURTS, AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.